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Attorney Docket No. 21402-168

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

APPLICANTS: Edinger, et al.  
SERIAL NUMBER: 09/981,151 EXAMINER: Not Yet Assigned  
FILING DATE: October 16, 2001 ART UNIT: 1642  
FOR: Proteins and Nucleic Acids Encoding Same

**BOX MISSING PARTS**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), Applicants hereby petition for a five-month extension of time to respond to the November 14, 2001, Notice of Missing Parts in the above-identified application. With the five-month extension, this filing is due on or before June 14, 2002.

A check in the amount of \$1,960.00, in payment of the fee required under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(5), is enclosed herewith. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 21402-168 (Cura-468). A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed. Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned at the telephone number provided below.

Respectfully submitted,

June 14, 2002

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